House Resolution No. 4286

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who bring glory and honor to themselves and to this great state through the excellence of their accomplishments in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Gene Olson of Harrisonville, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as a member of the Harrisonville Sunrise Lions Club who joined the humanitarian Lions organization fifty years ago; and

Whereas, Gene Olson was born in Grace Point, Missouri; attended Cross County Grade School; and graduated from Lockwood High School as a member of the Class of 1943; and

Whereas, during World War II, Gene Olson served with the United States Army Airborne before returning to civilian life as a Farm Management Specialist, 4-H Youth Agent, and Balanced Farming Agent with the University of Missouri Extension program; and

Whereas, for eight years Gene Olson served the people and institutions of his hometown and its environs as the Missouri State Representative from the 124th District; and

Whereas, on October 14, 2008, Gene Olson will enhance his already impressive record of achievement when he receives special recognition from the Sunrise Lions Club related to his Golden Anniversary as a very active member of Harrisonville Lions Clubs down through the years; and

Whereas, the Sunrise Lions Club also will give Gene Olson honors and accolades as the recipient of the Melvin Jones Fellowship Award, which was created in 1973 in honor of the founder of Lions Clubs International as the Lions Clubs International Foundation's highest form of recognition to acknowledge an individual's dedication to humanitarian service; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its diverse daily activities in order to recognize such outstanding Missouri residents as Gene Olson at momentous times in their lives:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments garnered thus far in the life and work of Gene Olson and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his many years of service with the Sunrise Lions Club; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Gene Olson of Harrisonville, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative Luke Scavuzzo
District No. 124

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4286, adopted October 2, 2008.